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Stage Change for Lake Shore Drive/Interstate 55 Interchange Project Begins Monday

CHICAGO – The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) announced a change in traffic patterns as part of the ongoing Lake Shore Drive/Interstate 55 Interchange Project will take place, weather permitting, Monday, March 28.

In the new traffic pattern, the far right lane on southbound Lake Shore Drive (U.S. 41) will be the only dedicated lane for the exit to the outbound Stevenson Expressway (Interstate 55).

In order to complete the stage change, the following temporary closures will take place:

- Beginning at 10 a.m. on Monday, the far right lane on southbound Lake Shore Drive will be closed before 18th Street. At 9 p.m., the far right lane reopens. The ramp to the Stevenson Expressway will be accessible until 1 a.m.
- Beginning at 1 a.m. on Tuesday, March 29, a full closure will take place on the ramp from southbound Lake Shore Drive to the outbound Stevenson Expressway until 5 a.m. A detour will direct traffic to continue southbound on Lake Shore Drive and exit at 31st Street. Drivers should reenter northbound Lake Shore Drive and use the ramp that connects northbound Lake Shore Drive to the outbound Stevenson Expressway.

Motorists can expect delays and should allow extra time for trips through this area. Drivers are urged to pay close attention to flaggers and signs in the work zones, obey the posted speed limits and be on the alert for workers and equipment.

Click <u>here</u> to find details on other construction projects in IDOT's District 1. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at <u>www.travelmidwest.com</u>

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